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SEISMIC RETROFIT FOR HOLLISTER OVERCROSSING NOW UNDERWAY

GOLETA – A project is now underway to perform a seismic retrofit of the Hollister overcrossing on Hwy. 101. The bridge and supporting columns will be reinforced to protect the structure in the event of an earthquake.

The first phase of this work is to install a concrete barrier to ensure the safety of motorists and road workers. As a result, the number two (slow lane) will be closed in both directions on Tuesday, Jan. 2 from 8 am to 4 pm. Motorists can expect a short delay not to exceed five minutes.

Caltrans is also coordinating with the City of Goleta to permanently replace and realign the overcrossing with Cathedral Oaks Road.

The contractor for this \$660,000 project is Specialty Construction of San Luis Obispo, California.

For traffic updates on other state highways in Santa Barbara County, motorists can call Caltrans District 5 Public Affairs at 805-549-3318 or visit the District 5 website at: http://www.dot.ca.gov/dist05/maint/road/upsb.htm

